

# **CIMMYT Advanced Wheat Improvement Research Training Course For Developing Countries. (A06-villareal083716-Poster)**

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## **Abstract:**

The CIMMYT Advanced Wheat Improvement (CAWI) course is an integral part of the Center's Global Project 8 (Building human capital). The CAWI course has two main objectives: 1) to impart to senior NARS scientists knowledge on the efficient management of a germplasm improvement program, and 2) to give NARS scientists the opportunity to select new wheat germplasm from the CIMMYT wheat breeding program. The major focus of the course is on senior scientists who have at least five years of wheat research experience. The course exposes them to the most up-to-date wheat technologies and materials available at CIMMYT, gives their work a considerable boost, and provides valuable stimulus to national programs. Participants have a unique opportunity to exchange ideas among themselves and with CIMMYT staff, discuss research results, and generally strengthen the interpersonal and professional bonds that hold the international network together. The advanced course is scheduled to take place once a year or every other year in Mexico, depending on financial availability. By offering this training, CIMMYT also benefits by continually strengthening its international networks of research scientists, whose collaboration is essential to advancing the cause of global food security.

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